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1. FOREIGN OFFICE PROTOCOL CHIEF ADVISES THAT ON INAUGURAL PROGRAM FOR AUGUST 16, AT 4:00 P.M. THERE WILL BE MILITARY PARADE (RATHER THAN AUDIENCES OF PRESIDENT WITH FOREIGN DELEGATIONS, AS PLANNED EARLIER). ASKED WHAT ARRANGEMENTS WERE BEING MADE FOR PRESIDENT TO MEET WITH FOREIGN DIGNITARIES AND DELEGATIONS, PROTOCOL CHIEF INDICATED THAT FOREIGN DELEGATIONS WOULD HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO GREET PRESIDENT BEFORE RECEPTION AT 8:30 THAT EVENING AND THAT MEETINGS WITH FOREIGN DIGNITARIES WOULD BE ARRANGED BEGIN UNDERLINE AD HOC END UNDERLINE DURING PERIODS WHEN FORMAL FUNCTIONS NOT SCHEDULED.

2. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FOREIGN OFFICE NOTE, APPARENTLY SENT TO ALL DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS HERE, EXTENDING INVITATION FOR USG TO HAVE REPRESENTATION AT INAUGURATION AND REQUESTING THAT FOREIGN OFFICE BE INFORMED BY OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION OF COMPOSITION OF SPECIAL MISSIONS TO THE INAUGURATION, SPECIFYING POSITION, PRECEDENCE AND COMPLETE NAMES OF MEMBERS AND THEIR WIVES. NOTE STATES THAT SUCH COMMUNICATION
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SHOULD BE RECEIVED BY AUGUST 10, TO PERMIT ARRANGING PRECEDENCE OF SPECIAL MISSIONS. PRECEDENCE IS TO BE DETERMINED BY DATE AND HOUR OF RECEIPT OF COMMUNICATION IN FOLLOWING CATEGORIES OF RANK OF HEAD OF MISSION, CHIEFS OF STATE, CHIEFS OF GOVERNMENT: VICE PRESIDENTS: MINISTERS OF FOREIGN RELATIONS: PRESIDENTS OF JUDICIARY; PRESIDENTS OF PARLIAMENT; SPOUSES OF

CHIEF OF STATE REPRESENTING THE LATTER:
MINISTERS OR SECRETARIES OF STATE OTHER THAN FOREIGN MINISTERS;
AMBASSADORS ON SPECIAL MISSION. NOTE CONFIRMS INFORMATION EARLIER
OBTAINED BY EMBASSY RE: SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 15; 10:00 A.M.
PRESENTATION OF COPIES OF CREDENTIALS TO FOREIGN SECRETARY,
4:00 P.M. -PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS OF PRESIDENT BALAGUER.
IT ADVISES ALSO THAT MILITARY AIDES-DE-CAMP WILL BE ASSIGNED TO
SPECIAL MISSIONS.

3. EMBASSY COMMENT: IT IS APPARENT THAT INAUGURAL SCHEDULE IS
STILL IN PROCESS OF DEVELOPMENT. UNDOUBTEDLY, DOMINICANS ARE
THINKING OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEW PRESIDENT TO MEET PRIVATELY
WITH FOREIGN DIGNITARIES AND THEIR PLANNING OF THIS ASPECT
MAY BE HELD IN ABEYANCE UNTIL THEY HAVE FIRMER IDEA OF LEVEL
OF REPRESENTATION FROM OTHER COUNTRIES. MEANWHILE, EMBASSY WILL
BE PURSUING POSSIBILITIES OF MAKING MOST EFFECTIVE SUBSTANTIVE
USE OF SECRETARY'S TIME HERE ON AUGUST 16 BETWEEN CONCLUSION
OF BEGIN UNDERLINE TE DEUM END UNDERLINE (BEGINNING AT 12 NOON)
AND 4:00 P.M., TO INCLUDE MEETINGS WITH PRESIDENT
GUZMAN AND DOMINICAN FOREIGN SECRETARY.
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